

Dear Commissioners:

I wish to state that I am against any attempt to weaken the current “Do not Call Law” in the State of Indiana. The telemarketing community, as well as corporations that use telemarketing, have been a nuisance for years before this law was passed. This law has allowed for quiet evening without unsolicited phone calls. With the large strategic agreements, special business arrangement, etc. that go on with banks, other financial institutions and other businesses, what is to stop any business from calling people and justify their actions by saying that they were a “partner” of a financial institution. They could state that they are exempt under the new order.

I am aware of the pressure you face to “revisit” this issue from the people who hope that if it is brought up enough times, it will go through, but you are also aware that the average citizen, such as myself, cannot go to Washington, D.C. every month to six weeks to make his views known. The view of the majority of citizens of the State of Indiana is that the current law does work; we have been satisfied with it and do not want it weakened by FCC order.

It might be a wonderful change to think about modeling the Indiana Law at the federal level, and implement this as a FCC order. You may see a large outcry of support, as apposed to a large amount of ‘no, don’t take away my Do not Call Law’ messages you have seen this past year when this proposed change was originally tried.

If you need this to be formalized, consider this a request from a telecommunications consumer to implement Indiana’s Law at the federal level.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the address included in the cover.

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